Biosecurity Emergency eLearning Modules Project 2022-2023

Biosecurity and Food Safety (BFS) protects the NSW community, environment and economy from biosecurity & food safety risks

Project Overview

To meet one of NSW DPI's Strategic Priorities (rapidly and efficiently contain biosecurity threats), BFS Compliance developed a series of micro learning resources tailored for authorised officers(AOs) to assist with, prepare for and respond to a Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) biosecurity emergency.

These resources included Six Minute Intensive Training (SMITs) to assist NSW Police understand their role in a potential FMD outbreak and fully animated short duration videos to assist all AOs navigate, understand, and operationalise legislative instruments available under the *Biosecurity Act 2015*, during an Emergency Animal Disease (EAD) response.

These resources are scripted using FMD specific details, documents, and scenarios, and are hosted on EMtrain, NSW DPIs emergency management (EM) learning and development program that enables 'anytime learning' for users.

Project Statistics

3	SMITs developed for NSW Police		Pivot from current face-to-face training resources to 100% online
7	FMD specific scenarios		Bolster DPIs just-in-time training repository
9	AO essential knowledge videos		Resources tailored to NSW Police, Local Land Services and DPI AOs

Project Outcomes

These resources support a consistent approach to assisting with, preparing for and responding to FMD by AOs.

In delivering these resources, we created and reviewed the content and storyboards, and liaised with a 3rd party animation specialist. This was a significant achievement as our staff were heavily involved in DPI activities for the Varroa mite EM response in 2022/23 and the project scope was extended to an AO focused training and education campaign.

The expertise of our staff has resulted in the development of specific story board and content review templates that can be used for similar future projects, which will ensure a seamless integration into EMtrain.